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Confirmation No.

: 3442

Applicant(s)

: E. FARBER

Title

: Allantoin-Containing Skin Cream

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Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a Response to Election of Species Requirement to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003 in the above-identified application.

- 1. Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27 is claimed for the application.
- 2. Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a), for the total number of months checked below:

Total Months Requested	Extension Fee for Small Entity		
one month two months three months four months five months	\$ 55.00 \$ 210.00 \$ 475.00 \$ 740.00 \$1,005.00		

Extension of time fee due with this request: \$1,005.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a Petition therefor.

No additional fee is required.

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3. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	SMALL ENTITY RATE	ADDITITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	*	LESS	**	= 0	X \$ 9 =	\$.00
INDEPENDENT	*	LESS	***	= 0	X \$ 43 =	\$.00
TOTAL FEES					\$.00	

4.	Fees:
\boxtimes	Check No. 11357 for the amount of \$1,005.00 (including a five-month extension of time) is attached.
	Please charge my Deposit Account No. 50-1349 the amount of \$.
\boxtimes	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1349.

- Any filing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
- Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. §1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 12, 2003, and based on the telephone interview conducted on December 16, 2003, Applicant makes a provisional election of species and requests reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-105 are pending in the above-captioned application. The Office Action asserts that this application contains at least eight patentably distinct species directed to various compositions comprising mutually exclusive emulsifying systems. The Office Action requires a provisional election, under 35 U.S.C. § 121, of one of the following emulsifying systems:

- (a) Anionic emulsifiers (claims 1-5 in-part, 17-23, 50-57 and 77-105);
- (b) Non-ionic emulsifiers that are ethoxylated ethers (claims 1-5 in-part, 6-12, 35-41 in-part and 58-66);